

In meeting the challenges described above, the National Experimental Test Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) plays a central role as a pioneer for research and development regarding new UAS technologies at DLR and for external partners. DLR is currently conducting research into uncrewed flight at various locations throughout Germany, each with a different focus.



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National Experimental Test Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems



With the National Experimental Test Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems, a test facility is being created where capabilities and expertise for the development of Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) are combined. The test centre enables the networking of research and industry for the further development of UAS technologies s and puts the main emphases on:

- Test and validation
- Certification
- Demonstration
- Training
- Services and consulting

site and infrastructure

DLR employees

# **Overview of Experimental Test Center**

## Additional complexity requires more cooperation

The use of UAS at an economically viable scale and their joint operation in airspace with crewed aircraft poses new challenges for researchers, manufacturers and users, as well as for legislators. Purely technical aspects, as well as complex legal and procedural issues, need to be investigated and new regulations created. The vehicles, flight guidance procedures and legal regulations must be investigated, tested, validated and certified in combination. For this, most helpful facilities and overall conditions are available at the test centre

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#### Communications/navigation systems Ground station and and data links

#### Calibration and testing systems

#### Airport-specific infrastructure



# **UAS** workshop

- Parking and hangar areas



# **Operations building**





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